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AND WEST SIDE.

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A Realistic Romance

In a remote hamlet back East lived a demure maiden and a bashful young man, who had for some years been living with but one and the same object. They were both hopeless victims of "love microbes" that were doing most effectual work under the direction of Cupid himself. Harry suddenly "woke up" and decided that procrastination was the thief of time and—bliss—and immediately set about to bring matters to a focus. "Hettie, may I-I-I, er-I"—but he took a header over bashfulness—"Again would you—er—er, er." This time Hettie came to his rescue with a sweet, "Yes, Harry, dear, I er—er-I've been trying to say yes a l'thile time and I meant it too, if er you do," and to this day Harry insists that he popped the question. Very soon there was a wedding and it was not much longer before Uncle Bill Taylor, of Independence, wrote effusively of what he termed her "grit" and proposed that if they would locate here he would start them up in life. Very soon they began to bid loved ones adieu and were soon speeding in this direction.

When the train pulled in generous Uncle Bill was at the depot to greet and welcome the much elated couple, and after hearty congratulations conducted them straightway to the Little Palace Hotel, having previously arranged for a pleasant suite with J. M. Stark, the suave and alert host. It was in the cheerful and inviting dining room of the hotel at breakfast next morning, while partaking of a tempting menu that Uncle Bill first unfolded his plans to the appreciative newcomers, obligating himself, first of all, to build and furnish for them an ideal American home. "But, in the meantime," said he, "you will find this a pleasant, home-like and most agreeable place to live."

After breakfast the anxious newcomers, at Uncle Bill's request, accompanied him about town with a view to getting acquainted and arranging in detail all the matters incidental to building and furnishing the new home, "and now for a desirable spot," said Uncle Bill, "to build on. Let's go in and confer with J. M. Kirkland, our well-informed and wide-awake real estate agent, where is listed the best properties in town and country about." The trio was cordially received and it wasn't long before the courteous Mr. Kirkland had sold Uncle Bill a charming and commodious residence site.

Now since Uncle Bill's first gift to his newly married niece will be a pretentious new residence and possessing but a vague idea as to what would be imposing, commodious and acceptable he remembered Finck & Simmons, builders and contractors, whom he knew as being conversant with architecture and in close touch with the building interests here, who, after Uncle Bill had made known the object of his visit, soon arranged about the plans for a most modern residence. Uncle Bill then and there also awarded them the contract to build it, remarking that nobody ever questioned their integrity or ability in thus executing a contract to the letter and on time, too.

"To erect a home and one to be left as a tribute of family pride, it's very important to use only A1 building material, otherwise in a decade or so it would topple over," said Uncle Bill. "But I'll avoid this catastrophe. I'll have J. S. Bohannon manufacture to order the sash, doors, blinds, mantles, brackets, mouldings and all the interior finish. He's a practical man and with a well equipped mill he has eyes is a type of to meet the demands of the building trade promptly."

"It matters not how good a residence may be, if it is not well equipped, it cannot be attractive and it has received the touch of the painter and decorator," chimed in the uncle. "Yes, yes, that's so," responded Uncle Bill, "and I'll take no chances on a

bother, either. I'll see W. H. Riggs, who is an energetic contractor and an artist with the brush, doing painting, decorating and paper hanging, giving his personal attention in the execution of any job tendered him, and from his hands we will be assured of a tasty, attractive and inviting residence," declared Uncle Bill, "since Riggs is to do the job."

"Now that our splendid new residence will soon be ready to move into we'll next take steps about furnishing it out in good shape. It will be my aim to have it 'par excellence' ventured Uncle Bill, "so if you join me we'll go and talk it over with Campbell Bros., our well informed house furnishers and diligent exponents of furniture." The trio were courteously received at the store and after the assiduous management had made some suggestions to the anxious bride, she soon selected her parlor, chamber and bed-room suits and the other requisites in furnishings for the new home, so enticing were the smart and unique effects comprised in the stock. Hence Campbell Bros. will furnish it from top to bottom. The bride was assured that no pains or effort would be spared to have the home l-d-e-a-l in all respects.

"Yes, I did promise you a nice watch and a silver service set," quoth Uncle Bill to the bride, emerging from the furniture store, and he directed them to O. A. Kramer & Co.'s jewelry store where he soon acquitted himself of the obligation, adding to the above a handsome clock and some exquisite articles in cut-glass ware, while Hettie seemed to be in ecstasy at the thought of so many dainty articles for her new home.

"Kramer & Co.," remarked Uncle Bill, as they entered the street, "always show artistic and reasonable effects and has the distinction with its wide acquaintance of being the most reliable and best appointed jewelry house hereabouts. It never holds out false lights to make a sale either."

"In my kitchen, Uncle Bill, I want a Garland range. That's the make mama has, and for baking or making pastries it is lovely. Then too, we want a heating stove, some table cutlery and a manifold list of cooking utensils," Hettie continued. "For these we'll go to R. M. Wade & Co.'s, the firm that did our plumbing and roofing and where I got the builders hardware the other day," remarked the liberal old gentleman. "There you can fit out your culinary department on whatever scale you wish. The stock is indeed cosmopolitan and I know of no better, more reliable or agreeable house to patronize. Its customers come from all points of the compass." Accordingly everything needed for the kitchen was purchased from R. M. Wade & Co.'s big hardware store.

"Nothing recalls reminiscences of the honeymoon in after life so vividly as a photograph, incidentally remarked Uncle Bill, "so our next visit will be to PtoKoi's gallery, where we will get for pictures. Possibly it may appear at first glance that as every photographer uses the same general methods and operates with similar appliances all are alike skillful, but this is no more true than that pen and ink and paper make the same author. Experience and equipment are vital ingredients that success in portrait photography requires, but more than these is the worth of perception in posing, a knack that distinguishes the artist from the ordinary camera "snappers" and it is this faculty of likeness making that has brought Photographer PtoKoi into good repute."

"The apparel of proclaims the man," insisted Uncle Bill to Harry, "and of course you will want to meet our leading merchant tailor. He's a boss cutter and invariably shows the smartest and noblest suitings and woolsens in the market. I refer to W. G. Shorman, who has made all of my suits for years and I've found him correct and pains-taking in all my dealings there. And when a fellow is logged out in a suit with 'Shorman's' trade mark attached he will be acceptable in the most polite society." Harry, when last seen was going up to get measured and to size up things for himself.

To be continued.

Too Easy.

A couple of students from the Monmouth State Normal were out Saturday looking for an easy way to make money and they found it. They bought a souvenir \$20 confederate bill in Monmouth for \$1.00 and then betook themselves to Independence to do some Christmas shopping. They first called at the Star grocery and bought 25 cents worth of cigars and tendered in payment the confederate money. The gentleman behind the counter had seen too much of it in his time to be taken in and handed it back with some good fatherly advice. The cigars were paid for in good hard coin and the couple left the store. They proceeded to a hardware store where they bought a razor and tendered in payment the "confed" money. The unsuspecting clerk handed back the right change and did not discover the fraud till Monday morning. The students were then hunted up and the money recovered, so we suppose the matter will be allowed to drop. There is some talk, however, of making trouble for the young man from Southern Oregon as he was told the consequences of his act when in the Star grocery.

The Pride of Heroes.

Many soldiers in the last war wrote to say that for Scratches, Bruises, Cuts, Wounds, Corns, Sore Feet and Stiff Joints, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, is the best. Same for Burns, Scalds, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25c at Kirkland Drug Co.

The Ladies' Bazaar.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church held their bazaar at the opera house last Friday afternoon and evening and were very successful in every particular. In some respects it was rather an unique affair. The ladies had prepared and procured a large number of handkerchiefs, dust caps of all sorts and sizes and colors, aprons of the most improved and unimproved patterns, cushions and cushion covers of beautiful designs, quilts, etc. These were offered for sale at very reduced rates. The hall was neatly and conveniently decorated and arranged for the occasion and everything contributed to make it a pleasant social event. In the evening an interesting program was presented, consisting of music, an illustrated lecture, fortune telling, refreshments, etc. Despite the severe storm there were many present, and the receipts large and satisfactory.

The lecture by Prof. French of the State Normal school, deserves special mention. It was scholarly and very interesting. The views he presented of what he had seen in his European travels were exceedingly clear and beautiful and were prepared by Mr. Lewis of Monmouth. The musical number presented by Mrs. Babbitt and Miss Bowden was greatly enjoyed by all.

The ladies of the Aid Society wish to express their most sincere thanks to the many friends who assisted them so cordially in providing this entertainment, and they have entered the bazaar upon their calendar of entertainments which they will give annually.

Perfumery

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For Christmas Presents

For the finest line ever brought to town

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A. S. Locke,

The Independence Druggist.

Blue Andalusians.

I am making a specialty of breeding Blue Andalusian chickens and I think they are the best egg machine on earth. They are quite a bit larger than the Leghorns and as gentle as the Plymouth Rocks. I bought my stock of Klein, whose birds captured all of the prizes for this breed at the state fair and they are as good as any in the state.

I have one cock and six cockerels for sale, and will have eggs in season. Now is the time to buy your roosters. Write for particulars. D. M. Calbreath, Monmouth, Oregon.

Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Independence National Bank will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the Bank, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

C. W. IRVINE, Cashier.
Dated this 3d day of Dec 1903.

Horse, Buggy and Harness for Sale at a Bargain.

A good big horse, perfectly gentle; can be driven by anyone, together with buggy and harness, for sale at half price. Inquire at this office.

For Sale.

A stock of general mdse with store buildings and residence in the country; stock will invoice about \$2500. Address "J." care ENTERPRISE office.

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Monmouth Laundry

H. D. WHITMAN, Prop.

Should have your Work.

.....Washing called for and delivered.

Washing called for on Tuesday and delivered on Saturday.....

Work Guaranteed.

Monmouth, Oregon.

A Sacrifice Sale of Holiday Goods

As we are crowded for space we cannot afford to carry over our holiday goods so have decided to close them out regardless of cost. We call your attention to our Albums of which we have a large stock. We have cut them to the following ridiculously low prices:

\$4.50 Albums.....	\$2.90
3.75 ".....	2.30
3.50 ".....	2.20
2.50 ".....	1.55
2.00 ".....	1.15

All the remaining goods must go at a similar reduction. You cannot afford to miss this opportunity.

Simpson Bros., Monmouth.